(c) if not, what steps Government propose to take to keep the States within their own borders?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINTSTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) to (c) The Governments of Assam and Nagaland have been requested- to suggest and agreed person to be appointed to go into all aspects of the border dispute between the two States, together with agreed terms of reference.

A Tripartite Committee consisting of re. presehtatives of Survey of India, Government of Assam and Government of Arunachal Pradesh was set up by the Government of India to consider the question of demarcation of boundary between Assam and Arunachal Pradesh. The Survey of India are undertaking the task of erecting pillars in certain areas. The two State Governments are in touch with each other regarding the boundary problem.

The Governments of Assam and'Meghalaya have constituted a Committee of Experts headed by Shri Y.V. Chandra-chud, formerly the Chief Justice of India by mutual agreement, to consider the question of interpretation of the constitutional boundary between the two States.

Environment protection councils

1612. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that State Go-vernments have been advised to set *up* Environment Protection Councils with the task of promoting general awareness on the protection of evironment;

(b) it so, how many State. Govern-ents have complied with the advice so far: and

(c) what are the other functions of the said Councils?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BHAJAN LAL); (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Two States have constituted the Councils. Five States have informed of thei, willingness to constitute the Councils.

(c) (i) Review work relating to environ ment undertaken in State by Govern ment and Non-Governmental Organisa tion.

(ii) Advise the State Government on environmental issues of the State.

(iii) Identify areas requiring investi-gation, research and restoration in the field of environment.

Delhi as Air Pollution Control Area

1613. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that Governmen have decided to declare the Union Territory of Delhi as "Air Pollution control Area";

(b) if so, whether Government have identified maor air pollutants in Delhi and if so, the measures taken to check them effectively;

(c) whether Government are aware ol the perfectly feasible technical methods of controlling pollution from thermal power plants and if so, what steps have been taken against Indraprastha power station for causing high level of pollution; and

(d) whether Government are considering to amend the Motor Vehicles Act to enforce automobile emission standards and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINTSTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BHAJAN LAL); (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir. The measures taken in-elude the following:

(i) Ambient air quality standards have been laid down;

(ii) Emission limits for major air polluting industries have been prescrib-ed;